

A PLUS PROGRAM

Program Information

The A Plus program has been developed in response to the advanced student who has substantial experience and demonstrated very high level Advanced student skills. This student is looking for something more than a typical advanced student run group experience. The A Plus level was established to reward loyalty to our program as well as to give Advanced students a way to enhance their weekend with significantly more track time, and an individually tailored coaching experience. A Plus is a three day event. The cost for the third day is at the same daily rate as Saturday and Sunday, (150% of the two day fee). Drivers have to attend the two day HPDS to be eligible to participate on Friday.

Qualifications

An A Plus driver shall have participated in 4 or more Tarheel BMW CCA High Performance Driver Schools [8 days] as an Advanced level student during the past three seasons; have been recommended for A Plus by two Tarheel BMW CCA Instructors; and scored very high Advanced student scores in both attitude and driving skills. Equivalent experience may be given consideration on an individual basis. A check ride by an A Plus coach is required, with this approval to take place prior to registration eligibility. Final approval will be by the Chief Instructor.

Tarheel Chapter BMWCCA rules require that A Plus drivers have at least one classroom session, and one session with a coach in the car. We get these requirements fulfilled early on Friday morning. After those requirements are met, A Plus drivers can choose to have a coach, or to drive solo the remainder of the weekend. An A Plus coach may elect to ride with the driver at any time during the weekend.

Features

One of the features of A Plus is access to substantially more track time. A Plus drivers may drive on Friday in the typical Open Track/Instructor Orientation format. On Saturday and Sunday, they are permitted to drive in all of the A group run sessions, and all of the Instructor run sessions, with the exception of the first Instructor group on Saturday. A Plus drivers will be permitted to drive solo in each of their sessions, but will also have access to A Plus coaches. A Plus driver's cars will have unique identification to avoid confusion with A Group cars.

Classroom and workshops are intended to be a la carte in nature. We encourage the drivers to submit topics for discussion, ask for information on specific interests, or suggest a workshop or on track exercise. We will invite Guest Coaches who have expertise in a specific area as the drivers express an interest.

Advanced in car coaching: The A Plus coaches are among the most experienced Tarheel Instructors. All of them have Instructing and Racing experience. The A Plus coaches will offer one or more classroom sessions on Saturday and/or Sunday. These classes will be scheduled for times when A Plus drivers are not on track. Some of the classrooms and coach led track exercises and workshops will be optional, we know that some A Plus drivers just want more track time, some want specific coaching, some want classrooms which are targeted to A Plus levels of skill and interest.

Tarheel Chapter BMW CCA A Plus coaching team